

SYNOPSIS OF THE ORDERS OF PLANTS CONTAINED IN VOLUME VII.
OF THE SILVA OF NORTH AMERICA.

CLASS I. DICOTYLEDONOUS or EXOGENOUS PLANTS.

Stems increasing in diameter by the annual addition of a layer of wood inside the bark. Leaves netted-veined. Embryo with a pair of opposite cotyledons.

Sub-CLASS I. **Angiospermæ.** Pistil, a closed ovary containing the ovules and developing into the fruit.

Division III. **Apetalæ.** Corolla 0. Stamens inserted on the petaloid calyx, or hypogynous.

44. **Laurocætæ.** Flowers perfect or dioecious. Stamens 9 to 12, hypogynous. Ovary superior, 1-celled. Ovule solitary, suspended, anatropous. Seed exaluminous. Leaves alternate or opposite, exstipulate.

45. **Euphorbiaceæ.** Flowers unisexual. Stamens 1, few or many. Ovary superior, usually 1-celled. Ovule solitary, or 2, collateral, descending, anatropous. Seed albuminous. Leaves usually alternate or opposite, stipulate.

46. **Ulmaceæ.** Flowers perfect or polygamomonoecious. Stamens as many as the lobes of the calyx, hypogynous. Ovary superior, 1-celled. Ovule solitary, suspended, anatropous. Fruit a compressed winged samara, or drupaceous. Seed albuminous. Leaves alternate, stipulate.

47. **Moraceæ.** Flowers unisexual. Stamens as many as the lobes of the calyx. Ovary superior, 1-celled. Ovule solitary, suspended, anatropous. Seed albuminous. Leaves alternate or opposite, stipulate.

48. **Platanaceæ.** Flowers monoecious in dense unisexual capitate heads. Stamens as many as the lobes of the calyx. Ovary superior, 1-celled. Ovule usually solitary, suspended, orthotropous. Seed albuminous. Leaves alternate, stipulate.

49. **Leitneriaceæ.** Flowers amentaceous, dioecious. Stamens 3 to 12. Ovary superior, 1-celled. Ovule solitary, ascending, semianatropous. Fruit drupaceous. Seed albuminous. Leaves alternate, exstipulate.

50. **Juglandaceæ.** Flowers monoecious. Stamens indefinite. Ovary inferior, 1-celled. Ovule erect, orthotropous. Fruit a nut inclosed in an indehiscent or 4-valved woody or fleshy involucre. Leaves alternate, exstipulate.